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IN RE APPLICATION OF

LEONHARD FEILER ET AL

APPLICATION NO: 09/996,434 FILED: NOVEMBER 20, 2001

FOR: NOVEL COMPOUNDS FOR MASS

COLOURATION OF HIGH TEMPERATURE

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Response Under 37CFR 1.116-

Expedited Procedure

Examiner: Kriellion Antionette Sanders

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Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Office action mailed on June 30, 2003.

The Applicants respectfully requests consideration of the amendments by the Examiner although submitted after Final Rejection. The amendments submitted herewith focus the subject matter of the claims, will simplify examination, and better place the claims in condition for allowance.